

Casey Maliszewski, Raritan Valley CC Graduate and Former Holt Intern, Participates in Forum

(Washington, D.C.) – Casey Maliszewski, a graduate of Raritan Valley Community College and a former intern in the office of U.S. Representative Rush Holt (NJ-12), is attending today's White House Summit on Community Colleges. Maliszewski joined community college administrators, faculty, and students, business and philanthropic leaders, as well as federal and state policy leaders at the summit. Chaired by Dr. Jill Biden, participants are discussing the role of community colleges in educating a new workforce that can compete in the global economy. More information on the summit can be found at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/communitycollege>.

"It is a great honor to be selected as a former community college student to attend the White House Community College Summit," said Maliszewski, a native of Flemington. "I consider my choice to attend Raritan Valley Community College one of the best decisions of my life - I would not be in higher education if community colleges did not exist. I am grateful to Raritan Valley for the impact it had on my life and my education, and I am very excited for the opportunity to share my personal story of how community colleges have a positive impact on individuals' lives."

Earlier this year, Holt supported legislation, signed into law, that invests \$2 billion to help community colleges develop and improve their educational and career training programs.

"Community colleges play a vital role in helping our students get prepared for and connecting them to the workforce. In fact, community colleges train more people for jobs than any other sector of education," Holt said. "I'm pleased that Casey was able to share her experience attending Raritan Valley Community College with the President and Second Lady. I look forward to talking with her about the issues she discussed today."

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